

4601 N Monroe Street • Spokane, Washington 99205-1295 • (509)329-3400

October 30, 2013

Mr. Gordon Wicher 54 Daniel Lane Walla Walla, Washington 99362

Re: Water Right Change Application No. 784

Dear Mr. Wicher:

On, September 12, 2013 this office notified you that your Water Application Number 784 would be rejected unless you obtained the signatures of the other land owners within the place of use.

Since we have not received the required signatures to that notice, your change application is hereby rejected.

### YOUR RIGHT TO APPEAL

You have a right to appeal this decision to the Pollution Control Hearing Board (PCHB) within 30 days of the date of receipt of this document. The appeal process is governed by Chapter 43.21B RCW and Chapter 371-08 WAC. "Date of receipt" is defined in RCW 43.21B.001(2).

To appeal, you must do the following within 30 days of the date of receipt of this document:

- File your appeal and a copy of this document with the PCHB (see addresses below). Filing means actual receipt by the PCHB during regular business hours.
- Serve a copy of your appeal and this document on Ecology in paper form by mail or in person. (See addresses below.) Email is not accepted.

You must also comply with other applicable requirements in Chapter 43.21B RCW and Chapter 371-08 WAC.

| Street Addresses   | Mailing Addresses  |
|--|--|
| Department of Ecology Attn: Appeals Processing Desk 300 Desmond Drive SE | Department of Ecology Attn: Appeals Processing Desk PO Box 47608           |
| Lacey, WA 98503  | Olympia, WA 98504-7608   |
| Pollution Control Hearings Board<br>1111 Israel Road SW<br>Suite 301     | Pollution Control Hearings Board<br>PO Box 40903<br>Olympia, WA 98504-0903 |
| Tumwater, WA 98501   |  |

Mr. Wicher Page 2 October 30, 2013

For additional information visit the Environmental Hearings Office Website: <a href="http://www.eho.wa.gov">http://www.eho.wa.gov</a>. To find laws and agency rules visit the Washington State Legislature Website: <a href="http://www1.leg.wa.gov/CodeReviser">http://www1.leg.wa.gov/CodeReviser</a>.

If you have any questions, please contact Dan Tolleson at 509-329-3526.

Sincerely,

Keith L. Stoffel Section Manager

Water Resources Program
Eastern Regional Office

KLS/DT:md

Enclosure: Your Right to Be Heard

By certified mail: 7012 3050 0000 1094 6619



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| PS Form 3811, February 2004 Domestic Ret  | urn Receipt 102595-02-M-1540   |



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September 12, 2013

Mr. Gordon Wicher 54 Daniel Lane Walla Walla, Washington 99362

Dear Mr. Wicher:

Re: Application for Change under Certificate No. 784

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) is currently reviewing the change applications on file within Water Resource Inventory Area (WRIA) 32, the Walla Walla River Basin. Your application needs additional signatures before it can be processed. We will need all of the signatures of all the other land owners within the place of use, see enclosed map. This typically requires the land owners to agree on who owns what part of the right. The reason the signatures are required is because the place of use is significantly larger than the acres of irrigation authorized under the right.

If we do not receive a response within 30 day of the date of this letter, it will be assumed that you no longer have any interest in this application. At which time the application for change will be rejected. Rejection of the application will not affect the existing water rights.

If you have any questions or need information please contact me at (509) 329-3526 or dtol461@ecy.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Dan Tolleson

Water Resources Program Eastern Regional Office

DT:md

Enclosure:

Map of Project
Copy of Application

Signature form

By CERTIFIED MAIL:

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(Endorsement Required) Certified Fee Restricted Delivery Fee (Endorsement Posturiosal) 3500 Total Posta MR GORDON WICHER 54 DANIEL LANE 7011 Sent To WALLA WALLA WA 99362 Street, Apt. No or PO Box No City, State, ZI PS Form 3800, August 2006 See Reverse for Instructions

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## Walla Walla County Assessor



315 W Main Street Walla Walla, WA 99362 Phone: (509) 524-2560

## Property Summary (Appraisal Details)

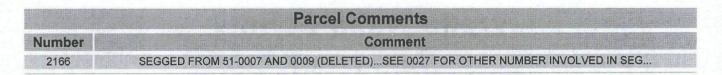
|               | Parcel Information   |                | Ownership Information    |
|---------------|--|----------------|--------------------------|
| Parcel Number | 350604510026   | Current Owner: | WICHER, GORDON & SANDI M |
| Map Number:   | 0635-04-51-mcbean-000-00026                                | Address:       | 54 DANIEL LN             |
| Situs:        | 54 DANIEL LN   | City, State:   | WALLA WALLA WA           |
| Legal:        | MCBEAN D C PARCEL A OF S/P (TAX 6, LESS PTN NLY OF TAX 6B) | Zipcode:       | 99362                    |

| Assessment Data                |           | Ma Ma  | rket Value   | Ta  | Taxable Value |  |  |  |
|--------------------------------|-----------|--|--|---|---------------|--|--|--|
| Tax District:                  | 311       | Land:  | 152,600  | Land:   | 23,200        |  |  |  |
| Land Use/DOR                   | 83        | Imp:   | 318,100  | lmp:  | 318,100       |  |  |  |
| Code:                          |           | Perm Crop:   | 0  | Perm Crop:  | 0 ,           |  |  |  |
| Open Space:                    | YES       | Total:   | 470,700  | Total:  | 341,300       |  |  |  |
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| Senior<br>Exemption:           |           |  |  |   |               |  |  |  |
| Deeded Acres:                  | 32        |  |  |   |               |  |  |  |
| Last Revaluation for Tax Year: | {Reval}   |  |  |   |               |  |  |  |

## Sales History NO SALES HISTORY RECORDS FOUND

|            |            | Building Permits |         |
|------------|------------|------------------|---------|
| Permit No. | Date       | Description      | Amount  |
| B120257    | 08/31/2012 | ADDITION         | 253,000 |
| 080024     | 01/10/2008 | POLE BUILDING    | 45,000  |

| 5 Year Valuation Information |                          |        |         |                   |         |        |         |            |  |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------|---------|-------------------|---------|--------|---------|------------|--|
| Year                         | Billed Owner             | Land   | lmpr.   | PermCrop<br>Value | Total   | Exempt | Taxable | Taxes      |  |
| 2013                         | WICHER, GORDON & SANDI M | 21,400 | 318,100 | 0                 | 339,500 | 0      | 339,500 | View Taxes |  |
| 2012                         | WICHER, GORDON & SANDI M | 19,300 | 318,400 | 0                 | 337,700 | 0      | 337,700 | View Taxes |  |
| 2011                         | WICHER, GORDON & SANDI M | 18,700 | 321,100 | 0                 | 339,800 | 0      | 339,800 | View Taxes |  |
| 2010                         | WICHER, GORDON & SANDI M | 19,100 | 317,400 | 0                 | 336,500 | 0      | 336,500 | View Taxes |  |
| 2009                         | WICHER, GORDON & SANDI M | 18,900 | 348,400 | 0                 | 367,300 | 0      | 367,300 | View Taxes |  |
| 2008                         | WICHER, GORDON & SANDI M | 69,300 | 235,000 | 0                 | 304,300 | 0      | 304,300 | View Taxes |  |



## Photos/Sketches

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## Terra Scan





DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY EASTERN REGIONAL OFFICE

STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY
NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR CHANGE/TRANSFER OF
WATER RIGHT UNDER ONE (1)
SUPERSEDING SURFACE
WATER ADJUDICATED

CERTIFICATE TAKE NOTICE: That Gordon Wicher of Walla Walla, Washington has made application for change/transfer of water right in order to add a point of diversion (POD) as granted under Superseding Walla Walla River Adjudicated (WWRA) Surface Water Certificate Vol. 4B, Pg. 784 dated August 25, 1993. That Superseding WWRA Certificate No. 784 authorizes the diversion of 0.053 cfs, from April 1st to July 1st; 0.040 cfs, from July 1st to October 1st; and 0.080 cfs, from October 1st to April 1st, for the irrigation of 4 acres. If water is used during the last named period, in addition to either or both of the first two named periods, the combined supply shall not exceed 5 acre feet per acre. That the authorized point of diversion is from the Walla Walla River, tributary of the Columbia River located within the SW1/4NE1/4SE1/4 of Sec. 4, T. 6N., R. 35 E.W.M. That he proposes to add a POD from the Walla Walla River, tributary of the Columbia River located within the NE1/4SE1/4 of Sec. 4, T. 6 N., R. 35 E.W.M. Protests or objections to approval of this application must include a detailed statement of the basis for objections; protests must be accompanied by a fifty-(\$50.00) dollar recording fee and filed with the Department of Ecology, at the address shown below. within thirty-(30) days from August 10, 2006. Sate of Washington, Department of Ecology, Water Resources Program, 4601 North Monroe Street, Spokane, Washington 99205-1295 (Pub. August 3 & 10, 2006).

## **Affidavit of Publication**

| STATE OF WASHINGTON, Ss. County of Walla Walla  |
|---|
| William Thyken , being first duly swor  |
| upon oath deposes and says:   |
| Iam Controller  |
| of the Walla Walla Union-Bulletin, Inc., Publisher of the   |
| WALLA WALLA UNION<br>WALLA WALLA DAILY BULLETIN   |
| approved as a legal newspaper by order of the Superior Court of th<br>State of Washington, in and for Walla Walla County; as such officer<br>make this affidavit on behalf of said publisher.   |
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| ending on the 10th day of August , 200_6  |
| both dates inclusive, and said newspaper was regularly distributed to it subscribers during all of said period. The full amount of the fee charge for the foregoing publication is the sum of \$ 102.30 which amount has been paid in full. |
| Subscribed and sworn to before me this day of   |
| , 200 <u>6</u> .  |
| Notary Public in and for the State of Washington  |

Residing at Walla Walla, Washington

AFF. OK: 8-24-2006

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4601 N Monroe Street • Spokane, Washington 99205-1295 • (509)329-3

June 16, 2006

CERTIFIED MAIL: (7003 1680 0007 1563 0373)

Mr. Gordon Wicher 54 Daniel Lane Walla Walla, Washington 99362

Dear Mr. Wicher:

RE:

Application for Change/Transfer Superseding Walla Walla River Adjudicated Certificate Recorded under Volume 4B, Page 784 - WRIA 32 - Walla Walla County

On January 6, 2006, we sent you a notice for publication.

To date, we have not received the original Affidavit of Publication for your application. If you have not yet published the notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the area of your application, please do so as soon as possible. After publication, the publishing newspaper should provide you with a notarized <u>original</u> Affidavit of Publication, which should be forwarded to our office. If you published the notice but have not mailed the Affidavit of Publication to this office, please do so as soon as possible.

Please remember to send the original Affidavit of Publication, not a photocopy.

If we do not hear form you within thirty-days (30) from the date of this letter, we will assume you are no longer interested in your application and will reject it with no further notice.

If you have any questions or concerns about the public notice process, please call our office at 509-329-3400, and ask for the Water Resources person on phone duty for that day.

Sincerely, Water Resources Program

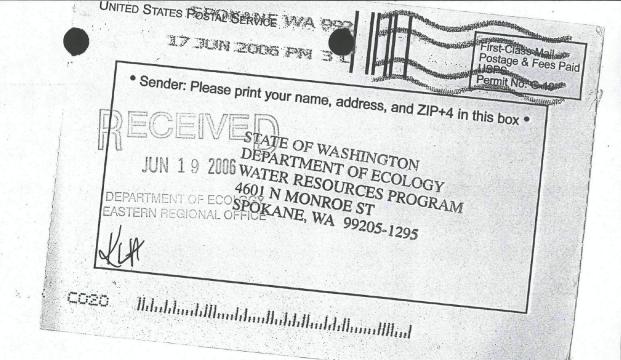
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4601 N Monroe Street • Spokane, Washington 99205-1295 • (509)329-3400

January 6, 2006



Your address is in the **Walla Walla** watershed

Mr. Gordon Wicher 54 Daniel Lane Walla Walla, Washington 99362

Dear Mr. Wicher:

Re: Application for Change/Transfer Superseding Walla Walla River Adjudicated Certificate

Recorded under Volume 4B, Page 784

WRIA 32 - Walla Walla County - Walla Walla River Basin

This letter is to acknowledge that the Washington State Department of Ecology received your water right application for change/transfer on August 15, 2005.

<u>Please be advised that the filing of an application does not authorize your request</u>. You are required to obtain authorization before you can begin using the change applied for under this application, please note that no construction or water use should begin before a water right change authorization is obtained. I've enclosed a focus sheet describing the water right change/transfer process for your review.

Enclosed is a notice of your application which must be published <u>once a week for two consecutive weeks</u> in the Union Bulletin or The Waitsburg Times published in Walla Walla County as provided in RCW 90.03.280. These newspapers have general circulation in the locality where the water is to be appropriated and used and are qualified as legal newspapers as provided in Chapter 65.16 RCW.

Please draw to the publisher's attention that the actual date of the <u>second</u> publication must appear in the space in the notice over the caption "last date of publication."

The cost of publishing the notice is the responsibility of the water right applicant. To assure accuracy, it is the responsibility of the applicant to check the notice carefully before having it published. If an error is detected, do not submit the notice for publication, but refer the error to this office for correction and/or resolution.

Mr. Gordon Wicher; Application for Change/Transfer under WWRAC 784 Page 2 of 3 January 6, 2006

Please provide us with the <u>original notarized affidavit</u> of that publication. Publication should start within thirty-(30) days and the affidavit must be received in this office within sixty-60) days from the date of this letter or rejection will be initiated.

If you have questions regarding this letter please contact me directly at 509-329-3586 and reference Walla Walla River Adjudicated Certificate No. 784. For technical assistance you may contact Bill Neve of our Walla Walla field office at 509-527-4546.

Sincerely,

Katherine A. Yerbich Water Resources Program Eastern Regional Office

KAY: kla W: Public Notices/Yerbich/2006/CS3-28784J Wicher Chg Acpt Pub ltr 1 6 2006 Enclosure

cc: Department of Ecology
Walla Walla Field Office
1815 Portland Avenue, Suite No. 1
Walla Walla, Washington 99362

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Department of Fish and Wildlife 600 Capitol Way North Olympia, Washington 98501-1091

Mr. Mathew Clark Umatilla Confederated Indian Tribe P.O. Box 638 Pendelton, Oregon 97801-0638

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR CHANGE/TRANSFER OF WATER RIGHT UNDER ONE (1) SUPERSEDING SURFACE WATER ADJUDICATED CERTIFICATE

## TAKE NOTICE:

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(Last date of publication to be entered above by publisher)

State of Washington
Department of Ecology
Water Resources Program
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Spokane, Washington 99205-1295

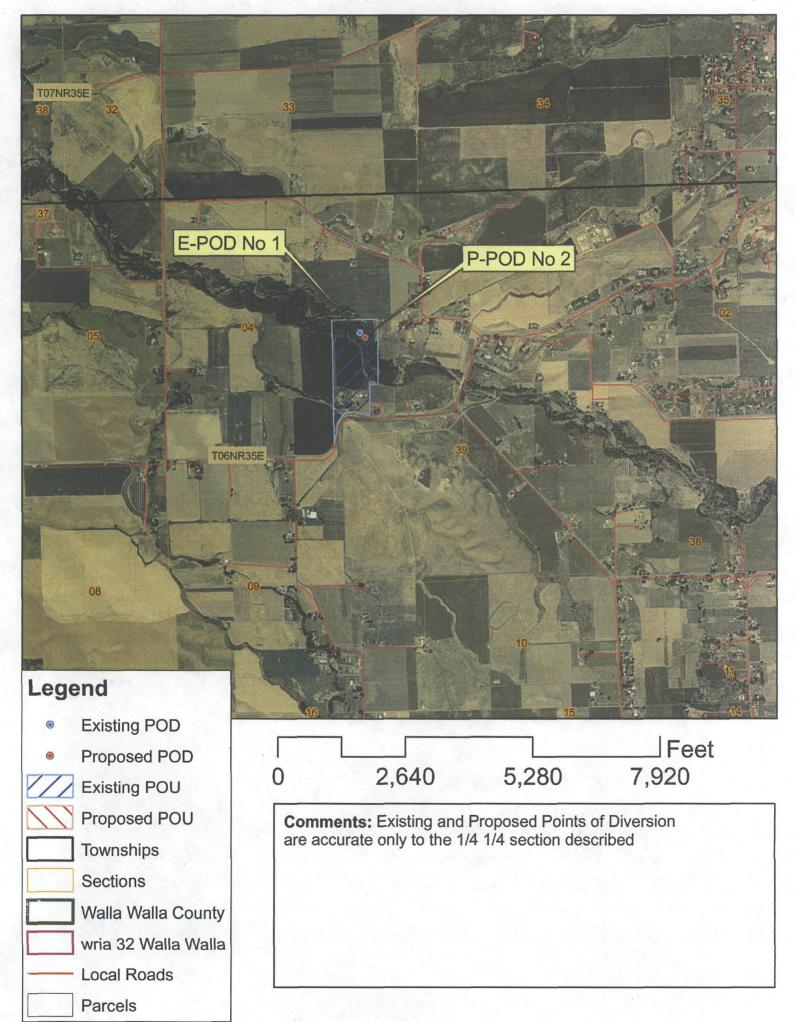
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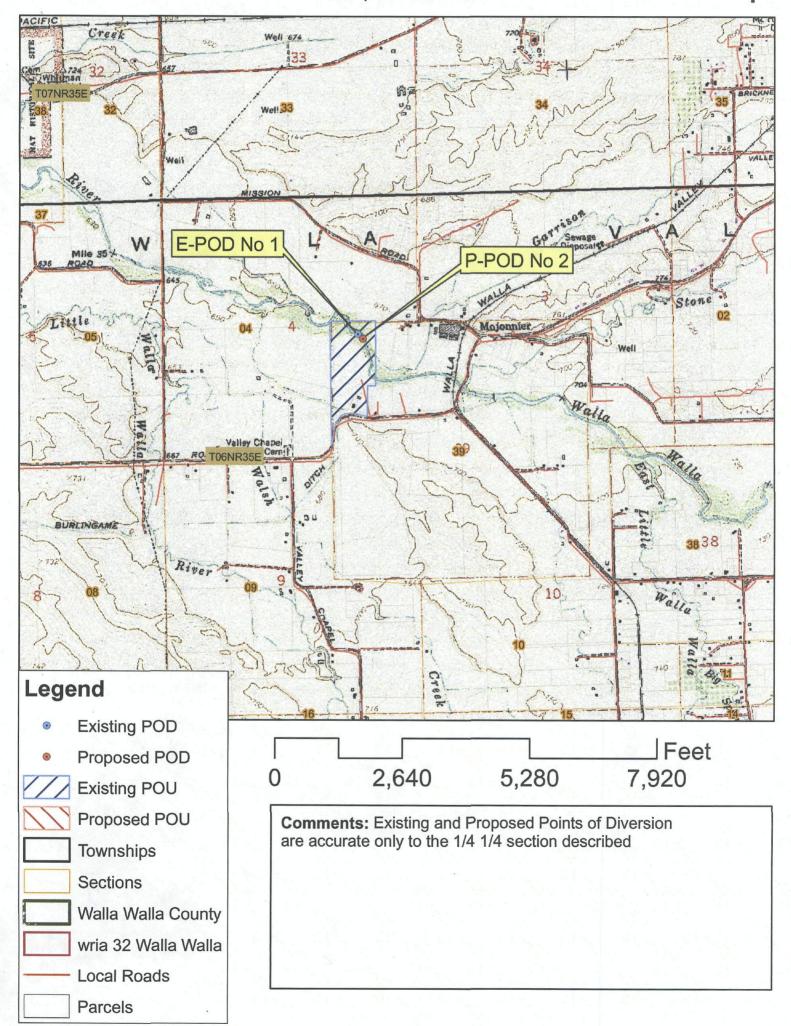
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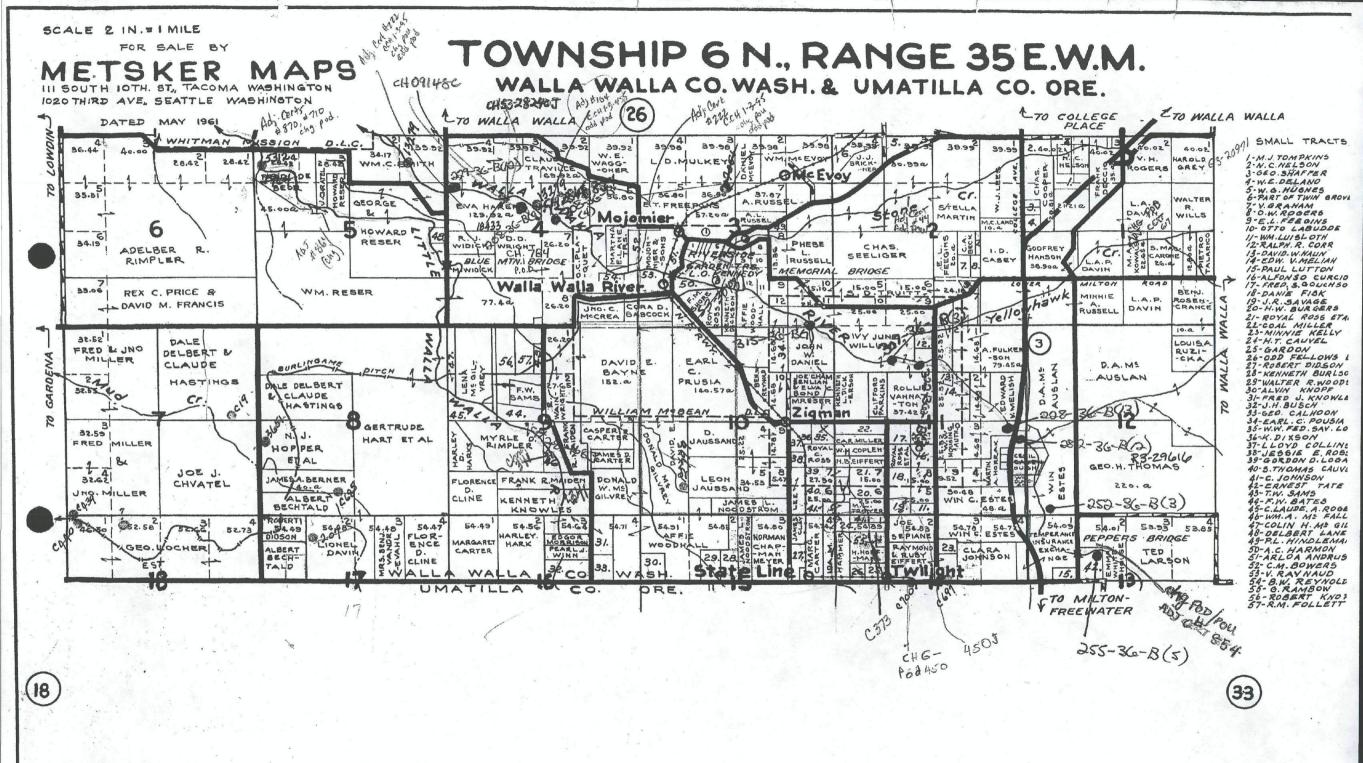
# Gordon Wicher Application for Change on WW ADJ Cert 784 McBean Donation Claim. T. 6N., R 35 E.W.M. WRIA 32 - Walla Walla County 1:24,000 scale

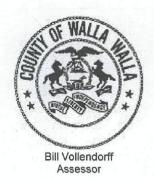


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## **Walla Walla County** Assessor

315 W Main Street Walla Walla, WA 99362 Phone: (509) 527-3216



## Property Summary (Appraisal Details)

## **Parcel Information**

Parcel Number: 350604510026

for Tax Year:

Map Number: 0635-04-51-mcbean-000-00026

Situs: Legal: 00054 \DANIEL LN

MCBEAN D C PARCEL A OF S/P (TAX 6, LESS

PTN NLY OF TAX 6B)~

## **Ownership Information**

Current Owner: WICHER, GORDON & SANDI M

Address:

54 DANIEL LN WALLA WALLA, WA

City, State: Zipcode:

99362

| Asses  | ssment Data | N                                     | larket Value                       |                                       | Taxable Value                     |
|--|-------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Tax District: Open Space: Open Space Date: Senior Exemption: | 311<br>YES  | Land:<br>Imp:<br>Perm Crop:<br>Total: | 107,600<br>235,000<br>0<br>342,600 | Land:<br>Imp:<br>Perm Crop:<br>Total: | 69,300<br>235,000<br>0<br>304,300 |
| Deeded Acres:<br>Last Revaluation                            | 32          |                                       |                                    |                                       |                                   |

## **Sales History** NO SALES HISTORY RECORDS FOUND!

## **Building Permits** NO ACTIVE PERMITS!

## **5 Year Valuation Information**

| Yea  | r Billed Owner           | Land   | Impr.   | PermCrop<br>Value | Total   | Exempt | Taxable | Taxes      |
|------|--------------------------|--------|---------|-------------------|---------|--------|---------|------------|
| 2005 | WICHER, GORDON & SANDI M | 69,300 | 235,000 | 0                 | 304,300 |        | 304,300 | View Taxes |
| 2004 | WICHER, GORDON & SANDI M | 47,900 | 203,400 | 0                 | 251,300 |        | 251,300 | View Taxes |
| 2003 | WICHER, GORDON & SANDI M | 47,900 | 203,400 | 0                 | 251,300 |        | 251,300 | View Taxes |
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## **Parcel Comments**

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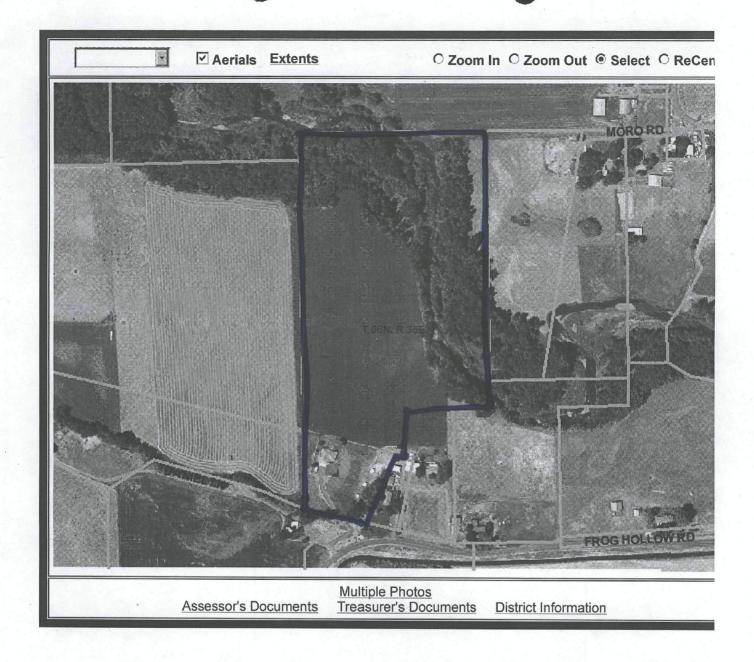
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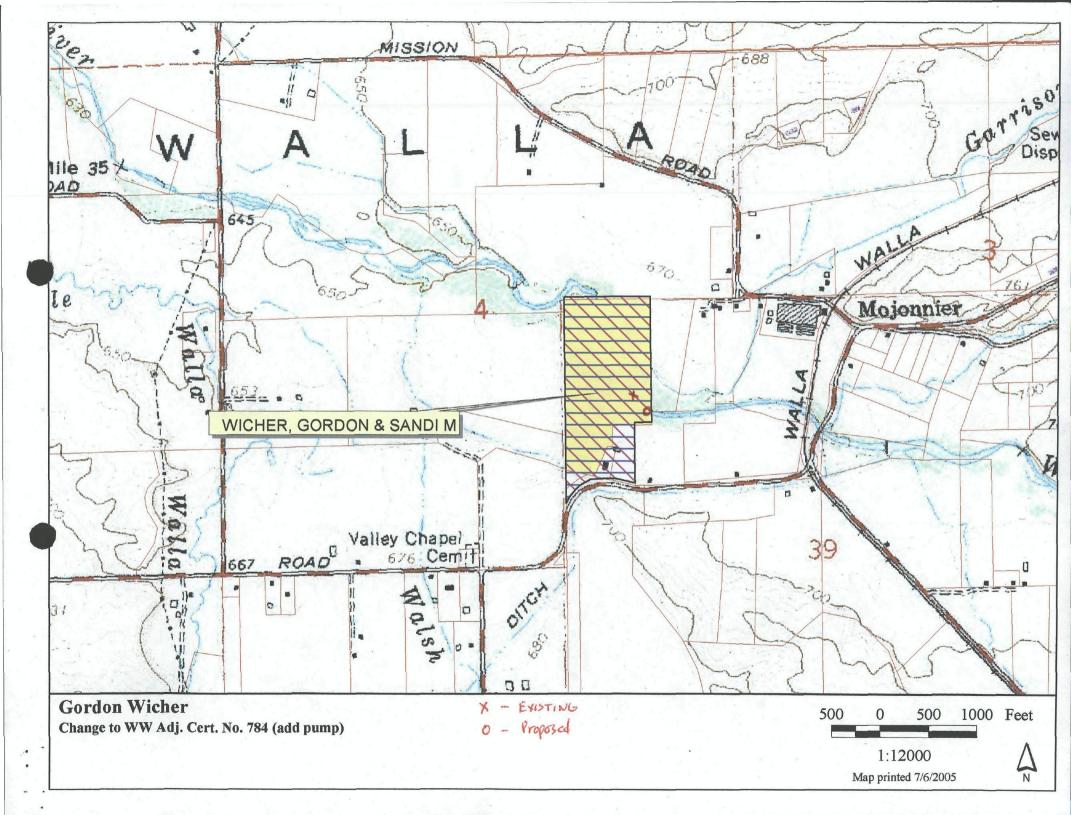
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## WW Parcel # 350604510026







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August 16, 2005



Your address is in the Walla Walla watershed

CERTIFIED MAIL: 7003 1680 0007 1554 4090

Mr. Gordon Wicher 54 Daniel Lane Walla Walla, Washington 99362

Dear Mr. Wicher:

RE: Application for Change/Transfer under Walla Walla River Surface Water Adjudication No. 784 – Walla Walla County – WRIA 32

Enclosed is your water right application for change/transfer to appropriate surface waters of the State of Washington, which was received in our office on August 15, 2005. We acknowldege receipt of the check (15171) in the amount of \$10.00 received on August 15, 2005. At this time our office can not formally accept your application.

As of July 25, 2005, a new law (ESBH 2309) has increased the fees for applying for water right applications and storage applications as well as changing how fees for water rights, water storage and dam safety inspections are calculated. The fee to change, transfer or amend an existing water-right certificate, permit or claim is \$50.00 plus an additional 50 cents per one hundredth cfs of water over one cfs. I've enclosed a focus sheet describing the new water-right fees for your review.

If you would like the Department of Ecology to continue with the formal processing your application for change/transfer, please return it to our office within thirty-(30) days from the date of this letter in order to retain your priority processing date of August 15, 2005. <u>In accordance with ESBH 2309</u>, please send our office a check or money order in the amount of \$40.00 for the additional required fees.

Mr. Gordon Wicher Application for Change/Transfer Page 2 of 2 August 16, 2005

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Sincerely,

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